



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant of: Julio PIMENTEL

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For: WEIGHT CONTROL USING AN ANTI-LIPASE ANTIBODY

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed November 4, 2002, having a three month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 4, 2003. A Petition for a Two Month Extension of Time and a Notice of Appeal is being filed concurrently herewith. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 7 and 8, without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend claims 1, 2, and 6 as follows:

C1
1. (Amended) A method for regulating the body weight of an animal, comprising: feeding to an animal a fat-containing diet and an effective amount of a liposome-encapsulated immunoglobulin against lipase effective to inhibit body-weight gain.

C2
2. (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the immunoglobulin is an avian antibody.